GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA

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Night Shelters
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Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the night shelters are provided with the basic facilities required during summer/rainy/winter seasons and if so, whether they are in serviceable condition;
(b) the details of the night shelters run by the Government in the country, State/ UT-wise particularly in West Bengal;
(c) the steps taken by the Government to improve the conditions of these shelters; and
(d) whether the monitoring of these shelters is carried out from time to time and if so, the short comings revealed during monitoring?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION
[SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO]
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(a) to (c): It is the primary responsibility of the State Governments to provide shelter for the Urban Homeless people. In order to complement and supplement the initiatives taken by
State/ UT Governments, the Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation is implementing a scheme namely 'Shelter for Urban Homeless (SUH)' as a component of the National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) for providing permanent shelters with basic facilities to urban homeless. The scheme is implemented through respective States/UTs. A statement showing State/UT-wise details of shelters sanctioned and operationalized under NULM including the State of West Bengal is at Annexure.

(d) Overall physical and financial progress of NULM including Shelter for Urban Homeless is regularly monitored through review meetings, video conferences, workshops, and field visits of the officers of the Ministry. Project-wise monitoring of the Scheme is done by the concerned State/UT & ULBs. Under NULM, an Executive Committee (EC) under the chairpersonship of the Municipal Commissioner is required to be constituted to manage the affairs of NULM. This EC at the city level is responsible for review and supervision of the working of shelters with the participation of community representatives, civil society organizations, line departments and elected representatives.
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